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SUBJ: CAPTURE OF DRUG TRAFFICKER

1. DEA SOURCES CONFIRM A PRESS REPORT IN THE BANGKOK POST ON THE CAPTURE DEC. 1 OF TAN HOK GUAN, A 58 YEAR OLD MALAYSIAN UNDER SENTENCE OF DEATH FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING IN BOTH MALAYSIA AND SINGAPORE. A LARGE QUANTITY OF NARCOTICS WAS SEIZED AS NOTED BELOW. PNSC OFFICERS ARRESTED TAN HOK GUAN, ALONG WITH FOUR OTHER SUSPECTS, HO HA LAX (42 YEARS OLD), ANG TONG CHOI (44), MICHAEL ANTHONY (29), AND TAN HOK GUAN'S COMMON-LAW WIFE, JINDA VORAPHAT (23), IN A RAID OF A HOUSE NEAR SUKHUMVIT ROAD IN BANGKOK. ALL ARE HALAYSANS EXCEPT JINDA, WHO IS THAI.

2. DEA REPORTS THAT TAN HOK GUAN IS HIGH LEVEL DRUG TRAFFICKER WHO ESCAPED EXECUTION IN MALAYSIA THREE YEARS AGO AND HAS BEEN A FUGITIVE SINCE. DEA OFFICIALS IN KUALA LUMPUR HELPED DEVELOP INFORMATION CONCERNING TAN HOK GUAN'S WHEREABOUTS, WHICH THE GOM TRANSMITTED BY OFFICIAL CHANNELS TO THE RTG. THAI POLICE DIRECTOR GENERAL MONTCHAI PHONGMONGCHUEN ASKED POLICE GENERAL PHAO SARASIN AND GENERAL CHAWALIT YOTMANI
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OF THE PNSC TO INVESTIGATE, AND THE INVESTIGATION CULMINATED IN THE ARRESTS.

3. IN ADDITION, POLICE SEIZED 5.84 KILOGRAMS OF NUMBER FOUR HEROIN, 13 KILOS OF NUMBER THREE HEROIN, 2.42 KILOS OF MORPHINE, AND 1.85 KILOS OF OPIUM AT THE SCENE OF THE ARREST. THE SUSPECTS PRESUMABLY INTENDED TO SHIP THE NARCOTICS ABROAD.

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